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Statement by Commerce Secretary Don Evans

President Bush and I believe that one American without a job is one too many, and that's why American jobs are at the heart of President's plan to grow our economy.

Thanks to personal re-employment accounts and new incentives for businesses to hire additional workers, the President's plan would provide assistance for America's unemployed today while creating the conditions for millions of jobs to be created tomorrow and well into the future.

President Bush and Chairman Boehner should be commended for their leadership and their desire to get Americans working again. I look forward to working with the Chairman on this critical piece of the President's economic growth package; America's unemployed are counting on it.